



Friends of Horowhenua Libraries

February 2020

What a Hot, Hot Summer!

Perfect weather to find a shady tree and relax with a good book—and we can guarantee that our libraries have thousands of them for you to borrow.

You will find all of the latest arrivals on the bright new Orange shelving just inside the main entrance. These new arrivals are the rental collection. Each book will cost you \$1.00 for a two week loan. However if you do not wish to use the rental collection rest assured that all of these titles will eventually find their way into the FREE fiction section. The rental collection exists because there is a requirement for our public libraries to raise a percentage of their running costs to offset costs to ratepayers.



FRIENDS OF HOROWHENUA LIBRARIES

You are invited to join us for our

Morning Tea

at **Te Takeretanga O Kura Hau Po** Wednesday 5th March at 10 30am.

Guest Speaker: **Rona Cooper**

Who will talk about her work using Music Therapy

Rona is passionate about the work that she does.

She will explain what Music therapy is and how it can help people of all ages .



Book Sale

Many thanks to the wonderful volunteers and the hundreds of folk who came to support the Summer library book sale.

We are delighted with the funds raised - over \$6000.00 which is close to our record. We will have final figures for you in the next few weeks once all of the eftpos sales that went through the library accounts are all processed and returned to the FOHL bank account.



Don't miss the wonderful exhibition currently on show in
Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po



'Fantails and Friends',

Is an exhibition of paintings by local
painter **Iris Reesby.**

"After leaving school I worked for a photographer, colouring sepia toned photographs. These included bridal portraits, and even beautiful aerial scenes. This is where I got my eye for detail.

The opportunity to pursue my arty side came when I moved back to Levin 9 years ago. I joined the Horowhenua Art Society and enjoy the social side as much as I do the art work.

I am a self-taught artist, and now I just can't stop painting! This is the only time in my life that I've had the time to explore my creative talent. I love painting animals and birds, trying to bring them alive with my paintbrush."

-Iris Reesby, 2020.



**Notice of the Friends of Horowhenua Libraries
Annual General meeting**

**The AGM of the Friends of Horowhenua libraries will be
held in Te Takeretangna o Kura Hau Po at
10.30 am Wednesday March 18th 2020**

**If you would like to be part of this energetic committee
please contact the Secretary, Barbara Lucas at
bmserendipity@gmail.com by Monday 16th March 5.00pm**



If you have not been to see the
Anne Frank exhibition
at **Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom** yet
I urge you to do so.

It is a very moving and thought provoking display.

The exhibition will close on March 2nd so you just have time to fit in a visit.

Do allow yourself at least 30 minutes (or longer) as there is so much detail to absorb.

This event aims to create connections by allowing people to meet organisations that have volunteer opportunities as well as the services they provide to the local community. A day dedicated to inform, promote and engage; when people will find out new ways to contribute to a positive change in society.



Wednesday 26th February 2020 at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom 10.00 m—2.00pm



Coming to Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom soon:

Dambusters—Boffins, bravery and bouncing bombs

An exciting and inspiring exhibition based on the Dambusters raid. This exhibition will be here for a short time only so come soon—don't miss it

From Friday March 6th.

I'm sure you've seen the Tai Chi Class held in Te Takere each week.
Why not come in and have a go?

Tai chi is held in the Main Space, Tuesdays from 10am. Come along and enjoy this internal Chinese martial art practiced for both its defence training, its health benefits and meditation.



- Tuesday, 25 February 2020 | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
- Tuesday, 03 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
- Tuesday, 10 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
- Tuesday, 17 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
- Tuesday, 24 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

There is always something new happening in our wonderful libraries.

Here is another opportunity that is being offered to anyone who is interested



An Introduction to Sewing - Everything you need to get started

Come along to the Youth Space to learn new skills and develop the confidence to use our sewing machines for your own, un-tutored projects.

The possibilities of modern sewing are endless. Registrations are essential.

Register at the library or contact TTYouthspace@horowhenua.govt.nz

All Ages Welcome!

- Thursday, 27 February 2020 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Thursday, 05 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Thursday, 12 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Thursday, 19 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Thursday, 26 March 2020 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Tea and Tales is story time for adults.

Who doesn't like a good story? **Tea and Tales** is a monthly session where you can come along for a cuppa and listen to some stories

—short stories, excerpts from old favourites, introductions to new stories and authors.



10.30am

Thursday 5th march Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-po

Come along and join us for some morning tea treats and

Some great stories.

Have you met Libby?



For a long time we have been able to access free ebooks from our library using the ebook platform linked to our libraries.

Now we have even more choice as Horowhenua libraries have become subscribers to Libby, a free app which is compatible with IOS and Android devices. Libby even has a font designed to make determining letters easier for dyslexic readers. You can change the font and the background colour to suit your preferences which makes reading on an iPad or similar device much more comfortable. I personally prefer a pale sepia toned background screen which is easy on the eyes.

Just download the FREE app onto your iPad and away you go. You should be able to use your current library password but if you have any problems just have a chat with our lovely library staff. They are happy to help.

When I did a quick check today there were over 13,000 available Fiction titles to choose from! And of course there is a huge non fiction collection too.

And did I say there were also Audio books? Great for listening to on a long road trip, lazing at the beach or even while doing the ironing (if you still do!).

**The old library ebook platform still works too—
so we have double the fun!**

We are so lucky to have such forward thinking library staff.

What we spend our money on.

As you know much of our time is spent raising funds to support our libraries. This money goes towards providing non core items that are not funded in the general library budget.

Over the last few years we have funded:

- The digitization of our local newspapers to Papers Past which helps provide a fascinating look at our local history
- Lap tops for use in the Children's sections of all three libraries to help with storytelling
- Books for babies—a scheme where every new born in the district is given a welcome pack from the library encouraging young mothers to read to their babies from an early age
- Books for under fives—all newly enrolled pre-schoolers receive a gift pack which includes a book to keep
- A new custom designed cabinet for newspapers in Te Takere
- Sponsorship of speakers for the Festival of stories
- A new credenza (storage cabinet) for the Historical collection in Te Awahou
- The beautiful orange shelving which now holds the Rental book collection in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po
- Piano Tuning
- Various items of furniture for customer comfort in all three libraries
- Funding to assist with additional staff training in areas not covered by HDC funding

We are proud to be able to help and look forward to continuing to do so in the future.



Music, Music Music

JAZZ JAM SESSION



**The popular Jazz Jam sessions recommence on 16th February
2020 at Te Takaretanga o Kura hau Po**

Happy Reading Everyone!